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**ULTIMATUM DEMAND**  
"EXPULSION ALL RUSSIANS FROM CANTON."  
AMENDED RESOLUTION.  
TO-MORROW'S THEATRE ROYAL MASS MEETING.

The proposed draft of the telegram to the Prime Minister, to be submitted at to-morrow's public meeting, has been amended and as a result of deliberation over the week-end it has been decided to couch the demands to the Home Government in respect of their policy regarding the Canton authorities in very much stronger terms.

The original demands were that "immediate and decisive action" be taken with a view to maintaining treaty rights there but the amended ones call upon the British Government to deliver an ultimatum at once to the Canton authorities.

(a) To restore Canton as an open treaty port for trade between Chinese and the foreign treaty powers in full accordance with the provisions of the treaties between China and those powers.

(b) To expel all Russians from Canton and the Kwangtung province.

(c) To disarm and disband the so-called Whampoa College Cadets who are in reality Russian trained troops, and send back to their native places those who are not Cantonese.

(d) To cease boycott of British goods.

(e) To cease anti-British propaganda.

Under threat of "complete Naval blockade by Britain of Canton and its neighbouring waters and such other action as may prove necessary."

The resolution also demands that the ultimatum should state that a Chinese administration must be established at Canton which will observe to the full all existing treaties between China and the foreign powers.

Again quoting the draft resolution: "It is the unanimous opinion of this meeting that the above course is the only effective method of restoring communications and trade between Hongkong, Canton and South China and of preventing the economic destruction of Hongkong and of British interests in the Treaty Ports of South China."

The resolutions will be proposed from the chair by the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak and Mr. W. S. Bailey will second. Mr. D. Macgown, of Swatow, will also address the meeting, a deputation is to be present from Canton and many others have indicated their intention to speak.

In view of the great interest which the meeting and its proposals has aroused residents would be well advised to get to the Theatre Royal well before the meeting is timed to commence (6.15 p.m.).

**ON THE BORDER.**  
ABOUT FORTY CADETS IN A VILLAGE.

About 40 cadets were observed yesterday to be encamped in a village in Chinese territory, about 1,000 yards from the border. The men, who were dressed in uniform resembling those of the Wei-hai-wei constables of the local force, were moving about leisurely, with one of their number armed with a rifle, on sentry duty.

**TYPHOONS ABOUT.**  
TWO WARNINGS RECEIVED TO-DAY.

Two typhoon warnings have been received to-day by the local American Consulate-General from Manila, as follows:

Typhoon in about Lat. 18 N. Long. 123 E. direction unknown.

Typhoon in about Lat. 22 N. Long. 128 E. direction North Eastwards.

**FIGHTING SOON?**  
CANTON SPLIT BECOMING INTENSE.  
LOCAL INTEREST.

Those who were in the Colony during the last seamen's strike may recall Chan Ping-sang, who achieved notoriety as one of the men's leaders and who was alleged to have murdered his wife, for infidelity, at Canton, but was pardoned by the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

Chan, it is stated by a reliable source, is now at Namtau, a town just beyond Deep Bay and not far from the New Territory frontier. From this port Hongkong receives fish and other foods, and a ferry runs regularly to and fro. Recently there has been violent intimidation at Namtau and anti-British propaganda, and Chan is said to be the local head of the military-cum-labour self-established pickets.



State Street, Santa Barbara, following the earthquake. The main thoroughfare was choked with debris and fallen walls which claimed a large portion of the loss of life.

**WHERE IS HSU?**  
Anti-Red Activity Up-Country.  
(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, August 21.

That General Hsu Shung-chi, who is considered the only man in the Kuomintang capable of offering armed resistance to the Reds, is moving away from Canton for fear of being enveloped, is the belief of those who are well posted.

General Hsu is supposed to be leading a punitive expedition against one or two of Chan Kwing-ming's satellites on the upper reaches of the East River. Such was the gist of one of my former reports. I am now told that Hsu is really taking his army away from the capital as he believes that a Bolshevik or Moderate crisis is imminent.

General Li Fook-lam, Governor of Honan, is gradually bending to the orders of General Cheung Kai-shih, commander of the Whampoa Cadets. He has abolished the opium monopoly in his territory, but he is still deterring the Reds in that, so it is reported, he has declared he will continue the gambling monopoly until Canton pays him arrears of pay. The Red chief, Cheung, is mentioned as having received by the Reds a large sum of money in Honan. Li is adamant. Li, on the other hand, has driven out all strikers from his domain.

The trouble at Shakkai, the capital of Hunan (Dr. Sun's birthplace and the proposed model Communist district) has not been settled. A body of Cadets are trying to get in, but the old garrison and local civil guards are strenuously opposing them.

**SQUABBLE OVER SQUEEZE.**  
(An Occasional Correspondent.)

Monday, August 23.

For several days the friction between the military and the civil authorities has been increasing. The military authorities are demanding a large sum of money for the maintenance of their forces, and the civil authorities are refusing to pay it. The military authorities are threatening to use force to collect the money, and the civil authorities are threatening to call in the British authorities to help them.

**COMPOUND INTEREST**  
MR. JUSTICE WOOD SETS A PROBLEM.  
TAXI-DRIVER'S CASE.

Summary dismissal without sufficient cause had been admitted by the defendants (the Hongkong and Kowloon Taxi-cab Company) said Mr. Justice Wood in the course of a judgment this morning. The original claim of the plaintiff (a taxi-cab driver in their employ) had also failed, continued His Honour, because of his own admission that he had not fulfilled the conditions of service through which alone he became entitled to the \$100 paid by him to the defendants under his contract.

Leave to amend the writ had been granted, and \$100 was now claimed as damages for breach of contract and wrongful dismissal.

**ALLEGED ROBBERS.**  
THREE MEN REMAINED IN CUSTODY.

A robbery was committed at 7 o'clock in the morning of August 16, by a number of men who gained access to No. 99, Causeway Road on the pretext that they had been sent by the owner to measure the house preparatory to its sale.

Three Chinese are now in custody and were remanded for one week when brought before the Central Magistrate, Mr. S. P. E. McKelvey, this morning.

Mr. M. W. To is appearing for the defence of two of the arrested men.

**PLANE DISASTER.**  
NEWSLETTER FROM FAR OFF YUNNAN.  
MILITARISTS AND AGITATORS.  
(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Yunnanfu, August 9.

Three men were killed and two injured early this morning owing to two aeroplanes colliding in the air.

There has been unusual military activity in this province of late. Five large biplanes started off from the aviation ground from the South, flying over the city towards the North Gate, two of the machines crashed into each other. They both fell coming to the ground between the North and West Gates.

Nearly every morning military planes are up and it is indicative of the times the campaign by the Tuelun Tang, Chi-yao, against General Fan Shih-sung, formerly the strong man of Canton.

**To Avenge Father's Death.**

Rumours are current that Fan, having sworn to avenge the death of his father, and who alleges that Tang put his parent to death, is offering \$500 to each of Tang's soldiers who will desert him with rifle, ammunition and equipment and \$100 per man without a rifle.

Tuelun Tang, of course, denies having sworn to avenge the death of his father. Fan is trying to win local favour by promising to stabilize the currency if he is established as ruler. Opium taxes have been increased and Fan will be defeated. Tang's officers have been busy of late. It has been to the Arsenal and other places where machine guns being tested.

**Anti-Foreign Miracles.**

It cannot be said that there is much open hostility to foreigners here. However, there is a strong undercurrent of feeling against the Chinese.

Chinese people are really very patriotic. They have been very much disappointed by the recent events in China, and they are very much interested in the progress of the revolution.

**SCARED.**  
IDLE ANTICIPATE POLICE RAID.  
VOLUNTARY SURRENDER.

The periodical raids on idlers' dens carried out by the Police on different areas almost every time have brought back to work a large number of those who would otherwise be numbered amongst the strikers.

That the effect of such action had, the desired result may be gauged from the fact that the idle hands in an area which was very much in the Police eye, and over which a raid was impending, voluntarily came out expressing a desire to work, according to a report furnished this morning.

The returning workers included a large number of house servants and amahs.

**AWARD UPHELD.**  
HON. MR. H. W. BIRD'S ARBITRATION.  
"UNFORTUNATE LETTER."

BUT "NO BIAS" FINDS CHIEF JUSTICE.

The most serious and if it had substantiated, fatal, allegation respecting the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird's arbitration was that he had heard the parties separately, said Sir Henry Cowper Gollan, Chief Justice, in giving judgment this morning in the case in which application was made for a motion to set aside Mr. Bird's arbitration on the grounds of misconduct and by reason of interest that he was not competent to act as arbitrator.

His Lordship found against this application but said that the contention of the applicants with regard to the alleged separate hearing had been strengthened by a letter written to their solicitors by Mr. Bird himself. In view of Mr. Bird's evidence at the Court and the corroboration of Mr. Ogilvie he (His Lordship) was satisfied that the parties had in fact not been heard separately. At the same time His Lordship remarked that he thought this letter had a great deal to do with the initiation of the Court proceedings and after he had found against applicants, he would not allow costs. In reply to the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster (for the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird) His Lordship said that he had fully considered this question of costs and he could come to no other decision. Mr. Bird's letter had been "most unfortunate."

The applicant in the case was Dong Toy and the defendants, Lam Tuck & Co., who had built houses in Kennedy Road to the order of the applicant. Owing to a landslide the houses were seven months late in being completed and applicant insisted that he was not entitled to pay the contractors, extra for damage caused by typhoon. He also complained of bad workmanship and failure to construct a sully drain mentioned in the specification.

As arbitrator Mr. Bird wrote indicating that certain extras should be paid to the contractors and it was the contention in Court of the applicant that that by this letter Mr. Bird had shown that he had thus early made up his mind finally and conclusively against him. It would thus, claimed the applicant, amount to a miscarriage of justice to allow the award to stand.

His Lordship, however, found that there was nothing in the letter to show that Mr. Bird's mind was not open to argument. He also found against the applicant's claim that Mr. Bird had not referred to the whole of the terms of the agreement between the parties. Mr. Bird had told them that he had looked at all the clauses mentioned to him at the hearing with the exception of one with which he was acquainted. The parties had chosen their arbitrator deliberately, said His Lordship, and the Court was not called upon to examine with meticulous care the methods adopted by that tribunal in coming to a decision provided there had been nothing radically wrong in his behaviour. There were no grounds in the Lordship's opinion for the claim that Mr. Bird had shown bias and refused to admit evidence.

It had been alleged, continued His Lordship, that Mr. Bird had approached parties and in such a manner that injustice might be done to the parties. The parties had been informed and he could certainly not be said to have been biased. The parties had chosen their arbitrator deliberately, said His Lordship, and the Court was not called upon to examine with meticulous care the methods adopted by that tribunal in coming to a decision provided there had been nothing radically wrong in his behaviour. There were no grounds in the Lordship's opinion for the claim that Mr. Bird had shown bias and refused to admit evidence.

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By Order of the Stewards, H. GREENWOOD, Acting Secretary. Hongkong, 21st August, 1925.

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Lieut. Evans was a bowler for the Navy and he was also honoured in the same match at Lord's going in last to bat for the senior service. It is rather a coincidence that two former Hongkong players should be on opposing sides in the best company at Home.

Captain Oliver, who with Captain Davies, made a name in Hongkong cricket, has also been doing well.

Lieut. Evans is a nephew of W. H. B. Evans, the famous Hampshire cricketer of former days.

## YORKSHIRE CHAMPIONS?

On Saturday the Surrey v. Yorkshire match commenced at the Oval. After this Surrey have to play Middlesex at Lord's. The "champions" remaining fixtures are v. Sussex at Brighton and v. Somerset at Taunton. Even if Surrey were to win at the Oval it is difficult to see the championship taken from Yorkshire. However, Surrey now have a good chance to remain in the second position as Lancashire have dropped more points—will be seen in the results below. The table is posted up to date.

## Rain Wins Matches.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 21.

At Cardiff, the Glamorgan v. Surrey match was left drawn, there being no play on the first and third days owing to rain. Score:—Surrey (1st) 196 runs for 6 wickets. [This is a return match; Surrey took full points in the opening fixture at the Oval.]

## Holmes' Big Score.

At Southampton, the Hampshire v. Yorkshire match was left drawn. Score:—

Yorkshire (1st) 264 runs. Holmes made 169. Hants (1st) 114 runs for 4 wickets. Rain then fell and the match was abandoned. [Yorkshire also won the opening match with Hampshire.]

## Lancashire Surprised.

At Manchester, Lancashire lost first innings points to Gloucestershire. Score:—

Gloucester (1st) 456 runs. Hammond made 250 not out, Dipper 144; MacDonald took 5 wickets for 128 runs.

Lancs. (1st) 323 runs. Watson made 93, J. Sharp 75; Parker took 5 wickets for 120 runs.

Gloucester (2nd) 53 runs for 1 wicket. Rain then fell and the match was abandoned.

[Gloucester have taken a partial revenge as they lost the first match outright.]

At Taunton, the Somerset v. Kent match was left drawn. Score:—

Somerset (1st) 349 runs for 6 wickets declared. J. C. W. MacBryan made 92, P. R. Johnson 117 and E. F. Langridge (the Rugby boy) scored 60 not out.

Kent (1st) 6 runs for no wicket. Rain then fell and the match was abandoned.

[This is another return match. Kent won the first.]

Went on Lost on Points Points Percentage

Gloucestershire	25	3	1	125	107	85.60
Hampshire	22	6	1	66	48	43.63
Wiltshire	23	9	1	110	45	40.90
Warwickshire	22	7	1	110	45	40.90
Sussex	25	8	1	130	57	43.84
Derbyshire	22	5	1	55	45	35.38
Leicestershire	22	4	1	55	45	35.38
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Hongkong, Monday, August 24, 1925.

### TO-MORROW'S MEETING.

Spirited indeed are the terms of the draft telegram to be submitted as a resolution to the public meeting to-morrow evening, and it is difficult to see how they can be amended. Hongkong can congratulate itself that it possesses the men with the public spirit—and the ability—to state the Colony's case against the Canton Reds so forcefully. The quiet dignity of the telegram which to-morrow evening's public meeting will be asked to send to the Prime Minister will do far more to impress Mr. Stanley Baldwin and the Cabinet with the gravity of the situation in South China than all the heroes in the world. The wording of the telegram must strike the Imperial Government, not as the hysteria of an excited mob, but as the calculated utterance of a responsible gathering. How important this is needs no saying. High officials are apt to regard the resolutions of mass meetings as the products of excited minds and

to discount them accordingly. They cannot possibly do that in the present instance. The telegram is one that brooks no disrespect, every argument in it being to the point. Not the least telling argument is the one regarding the Colony's military contribution. During twenty-five years not less than \$49,000,000 has been contributed as "an insurance fund for the protection of rights secured to British subjects by treaties with China." Policy-holders—keeping to the insurance simile—have every right to call upon those who accept the annual premium to carry out the implied terms of the policy. Upon that ground alone Hongkong is entitled to demand immediate action to protect it from the insidious forces that are threatening its prosperity. But of course there are more important reasons than this for the demands which the Colony is submitting to the Imperial Government in the telegram to be despatched to the Prime Minister to-morrow evening. There are reasons of trade and of prestige, not merely in this part of the world, but in every place to which British influence extends. The struggle is really one between Britain and Russia, between honesty and dishonesty. That is why there can be only one result. That is why also the Colony, which has itself individually so much at stake, must strain every nerve to spur the Imperial Government into action. To-morrow evening's meeting represents a further opportunity for doing that. Every citizen who has the future of the Colony and the future of the Empire at heart should be present to give further weight to the resolution which, we are confident, will be passed by a record gathering with a united voice.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### TO-MORROW'S MEETING.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir.—The often-talked of "Foreign Intervention" over the disorders of China to-day will, I think, have to bear fruit this time. Rightly, we should take Canton as the chief centre of unruly activities and whatever foreign action to be taken against it, is all for the salvation of the city and her people from the fate of living under Bolshevistic rule. Bolshevism is purely an act of war against trade, and brings terror to right thinking peoples, but the occasion has come for us, as neighbours in friendship and in business, to make a hurried rescue lest a wreck becomes shattering. China's stand to-day can bring evidence of its weakness through the affairs in Canton with a Government which does not recognise, and communicate with the capital Peking, and it falls out altogether from the co-operation and advice of any one but the parliamentarians of her own, whose knowledge of clean politics is naturally, and thus they sought Bolshevism as a guiding hand. A meeting such as we are having to-morrow is the true spirit of the times, and something must be done. As the friendship between England and China exists as ever, it is the stern hope of her well-wishers that the parliamentarians in Peking would adhere to the counsel of the Powers and they would, as a first and necessary step, place a responsible party to rule Canton and cause redress to be made to all her other territories, and particularly measures be adopted to give full protection to the interests of foreigners. China is old in history and her place amongst nations should have been by far superior. Her population is great, her mineral resources are abundant but unearthed, her citizens are eminent in every walk of life, but the path of glory has been darkened by the fumes of revolutionary parties and caused militarism to stay, and will they have Bolshevism now as the root of all evils. Let us all hope that China, as a whole, after the aid of foreign intervention, will make a start for the restoration of peace and tranquillity, and for the restoration of her rights and honour among the Powers of the world.

Yours, etc.,  
WELL-WISHER.  
Hongkong, August 24.

#### HONGKONG'S DEMANDS.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir.—The terms of the revolution to be submitted at to-morrow evening's public meeting are to the point, and it is difficult to see how they can be added to, although in one respect they might be amended. Sir Henry Pollock has been incessant in his contention that the Canton-Hongkong problem is entirely separate and distinct from that in any other part of China, and the meeting is to be asked to agree. A contrary-wise argument could be advanced; that the outbreak beginning at Shanghai, spreading to Hankow, quickly came to Canton, and as a consequence—this Colony being a British possession and the outbreak being primarily against Britain, Britishers and British interests—Hongkong became involved. Evidently other opinions differ and the Colony is being asked to agree to the view taken by those responsible for the meeting. I trust that events will prove the absolute correctness of the view. I confess to some little doubt on the matter, more so when I remember the capital made out of the Shamen incident, and that Shamen itself is an argument used by the many who so glibly rail against what they describe as "unjust treaties." The promoters of the meeting seem to be strengthened in their line of thought by the prompt action of the Home Government, on hearing of the Canton Government's embargo on British shipping, sending Admiral Sinclair to Canton to enquire, and, if necessary, to take action. This suggests that the Foreign Office is not so supine in its activities to uphold the sacredness of treaties, particularly when they constitute a deliberate insult, but bring ruin in their train.

If there is a weakness about the proposed demands, it is that which asks that steps be taken to "install an alternative and friendly Chinese Government at Canton." I submit this is going outside reasonable bounds. Kala not within the province of the British or any other Government to install any alternative or friendly Government. It would be fatal to attempt such a thing, and a legacy for the future, for which the people who are lamenting the trouble are those to be dealt with, whatever threats or actions are deemed advisable.

### BOLSHEVISM IN CHINA.

The situation in China is a reminder of the limitations of Western statesmanship, remarks the "Outlook (London)." Nevertheless, after a century's contact, Chinaman and European are best at arm's length and at worst—as now—at daggers drawn. Let us admit at once that the factors which here veto that intercourse which elsewhere is part of the natural habit of mankind are too subtle for full analysis. But at least the obvious explanations will not hold water. It is said that the Chinese are humiliated by the privileged position of Europeans in the Treaty ports. Maybe; but their humiliation is of their own deliberate making. It was they who first imposed upon Europeans, their special and exclusive status. If they would abolish it they have only to confer on Europeans those same guarantees of security which Chinaman abroad themselves receive from all civilised States. It is said, further, that the Chinese labourer has been the victim of European capitalists, but for this sweeping indictment there is no shadow of justification. That commercial adventurers have at times thrown over the restraints imposed upon them in Europe is no doubt true. But the populations of Shanghai and Hongkong are evidence enough that European industrialism is compatible with Chinese prosperity, and it is beyond dispute that European factories have set a new standard of labour conditions in the Far East. We must look deeper, and the next point that suggests itself is, that in China, at any rate, until quite recently, Europeans have only done business, whereas elsewhere in Asia they have also imposed their culture. The Europeanisation of the East may have been a result of territorial conquest as in India or of self-determined policy as in Japan. But in any event it has occurred, whereas China until now has kept Western influences at bay. At last, however, something Western has impinged upon the Chinese mind and has brought about an explosion of Chinese national pride. That something is Bolshevism. While China would have nothing of European ways, she has adopted Europe's own protest against those ways. For Chinese thought, at any rate, the Russian revolution is a tremendous event, and those very elements which twenty years ago rejoiced at Russia's defeat by Japan are now taking Russia for their guide and help. There, so far as China herself is concerned, we must at present be content to leave it. What still concerns us, however, is the advance of Bolshevism. That its blow is struck in the first instance at Britain follows from the historical fact that Britain has been pre-eminent in extending Western culture into Asia. Ultimately, however, Bolshevism aims at the overthrow of that culture itself by waging war on the principal of individual initiative by reliance on which from Greek times onwards, our civilisation has developed. The first attack was made in the West. At one time it almost broke through the weak barrier of Poland, and it is still thrusting into the Balkans. On the whole, however, the Western attack has failed. But the Far Eastern attack, the appeal to the one quarter of the world where Western ideas have not established themselves in any strength, is apparently succeeding. Its success involves important consequences. In the long run, the Western Power which will have to meet the full force of the Bolshevik challenge is not Britain, but America. A realisation of the danger goes far to account for the startlingly aggressive attitude of American opinion towards ideas which it regards as subversive. Political agitation is watched with peculiar alarm, and there is no country in Europe, not even Italy, in which Bolshevik propaganda is so ruthlessly suppressed as in the United States. The situation is, indeed, of a kind to warrant anxiety. The Pacific Ocean is of vital importance to America's future trade expansion and anything that occurs in China is bound to have repercussions in the States, particularly because it involves Japan. The fear of Bolshevism in America amounts almost to a phobia, and the thought that all the Far East may be set aflame is enough to give Washington the jumps. While Japan nominally plays with the Western Powers, the Americans fear that she may desert them at any moment, and take advantage of the disorders in China to establish herself permanently there as she did in Korea. No wonder that in its tentative approaches to the Chinese situation Washington is on the alert for reactions at home. Chinese policy is a sufficiently delicate matter in England, but it touches America more nearly still. For this reason we have not directed special attention to the questions, which this country will shortly be called upon to make—we fear on imperfect data. What chiefly deserves notice is the spectacle of America dragged back into world politics against her will.

### A ROVING NOVELIST.

STELLA BENSON'S CAREER.

Stella Benson, the novelist, who is Mrs. O'Gorman Anderson in private life, is on her way back to England via California after over three years absence in China, where her husband has a post in the Chinese Customs Service. She is very fond of the Chinese—a fondness which dates back to the time when she worked her way round the world and tarried in Hongkong teaching English to a class of fifty Chinese boys for 211 months and in Peking assisting in the X-ray department of the American Rockefeller Hospital.

This witty woman has capitalised her frail health to the great profit of her experience, for she has spent a good part of her life "travelling rough" to ward off illness. She has worked on a ranch in Colorado 6,000 feet up the Rockies. She has been "help" in a San Francisco boardinghouse, "book agent" in California (trying to sell "Milton for the Babies"), teacher in an American university, shopkeeper in Hoxton, and member of the staff of the Charity Organisation Society. She has been tiger shooting in India, under fire in the Chinese Civil War, in the West Indies, and was the first English woman to penetrate into the Indo-Chinese province of Laos.

Mrs. Anderson is a niece through her mother of Mary Cholmondeley, author of the once celebrated novel "Red Pottage."

We are often reminded that a people gets the Government it deserves. If this is so, it may explain matters in Canton. The Cantonese, in their own time—we need to remember Chinese characteristics—will deal with reactionaries in their own way—as the past week has shown. All that Britain can do is to insist on the recognition of existing treaties, and this she will do in public meetings, or, no—if such things as the embargo referred to are employed. These are friendly observations. If, as a preliminary to a settlement, we are compelled to use an Americanian to split the fibres of talk, let it be at least based on reason.

Yours, etc.,  
THE CHINA MAIL.

Hongkong, August 24.

### KOWLOON WEDDING.

Attended by many friends, the wedding took place at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Saturday afternoon, of Inspector W. E. Wilson of the Hongkong Police Force, son of Mr. T. Wilson and the late Mrs. E. Wilson of Sheffield, to Miss Helen E. Arnold, daughter of the late Mr. E. T. Arnold and Mrs. Arnold of Glasgow.

The Rev. G. R. Lindsay officiated. The bride was given away by Mr. R. J. Everest and was charmingly attired in ivory satin with silver lace and net trimming, embroidered veil and wreath of orange blossoms, her bouquet being of white roses and Honolulu creepers. Her mother wore a dress of black crepe de chine with black and white georgette hat and carried a bouquet of white lilies.

Miss M. B. Arnold, sister of the bride, and Miss M. Everest were bridesmaids and wore powder blue taffeta frocks trimmed with silver ribbon and forget-me-nots. Their bouquets were of pink roses. The flower girls, the Misses Betty Lowman and Phyllis Rogers, wore dresses of pink crepe de chine trimmed with pale blue, and mob caps.

The best man was Mr. R. J. Tyler.

A large number of presents were received. The bridegroom's to the bride was a gold bangle, to the bridesmaids, gold chains and bracelets, and to the flower girls, pendants.

After friends had been entertained at the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson left for the honeymoon at Fanlin. Mrs. Wilson's going away dress being of champagne silk gauze with hat to match.

### HOME MAIL.

The mail by the S.S. Empress of Canada, delivered at the G.P.O. shortly before noon to-day, amounted to a total of 561 bags comprising letters, newspapers, and parcels from Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai.

Included in the mail were seven bags of news matter from Europe via Siberia; the letter mail by the same packet having already arrived by the S.S. Macedonia.



## REDS THROWN OUT.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT'S ACTION.

A. MIXED BAG.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, August 23.

The Government's energetic action against Communists continues unabated. Yesterday two British, two Spanish and five Bulgarian Communists were expelled. The Ecole de Paris says that an official of the Soviet Embassy, also a son of a member of the Russian Trade delegation are among the arrested at a meeting of the Georgian Communists on Friday. Both were released on the intervention of the Soviet Embassy.

Earlier Cable.

(Reuter's Service.)

Marcelles, August 22.

A thousand delegates representing thirty nations are here for the second post-war International Labour and Socialist Congress. The principal subjects on the agenda are the international attitude towards the Colonial question of disarmament and the League of Nations relations to the Second and Third International executive. It has been decided to transfer the secretariat to Switzerland to enable Mr. Adler of Australia to continue the secretariatship. Mr. Arthur Henderson, in his presidential address, said the International spoke in the name of seven million organised workers. The propaganda of affiliated parties must be conducted with regard to the possibility and even probability that National leaders would be responsible to ministers to Geneva. The Protocol must remain the guiding principle of international action and the whole strength of the Labour movement nationally and internationally organised must be used to fight Capitalism, whose grip had tightened since the war.

## RIFF WAR.

ENEMY COAST HEAVILY BOMBARDED.

SERIOUS DAMAGE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Madrid, August 23.

A communiqué states that air-men and a battleship yesterday vigorously bombarded the Riff coast, opposite Alhucemas, causing serious damage to the enemy. The artillery of the Rifis replied to the battleship's fire.

Earlier Cables.

A communiqué last night stated "we landed a big convoy at Alhucemas without incident and this morning the Air Force extensively bombarded the Riff headquarters at Ajdir, where the enemy is only feebly replying with machine-guns."

Algerias, August 22. "Within a few days a period of interesting operations will begin," declared General Primo de Rivera, after privately conversing with Marshal Petain, and added that the position at Alhucemas was quite secure, but Abd el Krim's attack constituted a definite challenge.

Gibraltar, August 22. Marshal Petain has arrived at Algeiras on board the French steamer Marechalley Autey. He greeted General Primo de Rivera after which he left for Morocco.

Rabat, August 23. Marshal Petain has arrived. He proceeds to the front after studying the situation with General Lyautey.

The officers killed in the Riff raid were ceremoniously buried at Alhucemas. The body of Commander Monasterio will be embalmed and brought back to Spain.

## FRIENDSHIP.

BASIS OF FRANCE'S DEBT FUNDING.

FRENCH MINISTER'S VIEW.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, August 23.

M. Gaillaux departed for London at mid day, for the debt discussions, without revealing a hint as to what proposals he intended to make, though he told journalists if the "gentleman's offer" meant one which was fulfillable, such was the offer he would make. He emphasised his confidence in the spirit of fairness of Britain, and said he would be inspired to a determination to uphold France's traditional reputation for honesty while bearing in mind the past and the rights derived from that past. He would enter negotiations from the standpoint of a permanent friendship.

## PINEDO OVERDUE.

FORCED TO LAND BY STORMS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Manila, August 23.

Major Di Pinedo is overdue from Cebu whence he started seven hours ago. It is believed he has been forced to land owing to storms.

Earlier Cable.

Rome, August 22.

Major Di Pinedo wires from Cebu that he had a tempestuous journey and in trying to land his machine collided with a packet boat, damaging the mooring gear and causing other slight damage which he is repairing.

## BRILLIANT DISPLAY.

AMERICAN WARSHIPS ILLUMINATIONS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Wellington, August 23.

There was a Majestic spectacle in the harbour last night when a searchlight display was given by the American warships.

On the occasion of the farewell ball given by Admiral Coontz on board the "Pennsylvania," the Governor General and leading citizens were present and the battleships were illuminated from stem to stern.

Such a noteworthy gathering of warships is a record one for any harbour in the southern hemisphere.

## HOPPING ON.

JAPANESE AVIATORS REACH MOSCOW.

(Reuter's Service.)

Moscow, August 23.

The two Japanese aeroplanes which left Tokyo on July 25 have arrived here en route to London. The pilots were formally welcomed by representatives of the Government and scientific aircraft organisations.

## MOTOR ACCIDENT.

LATVIAN MINISTER KILLED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Riga, August 21.

M. Meierowicz, the Latvian Foreign Minister, has been killed in a motor accident.

## SEAMEN'S STRIKE.

URGENT MESSAGES FROM HOME.

AUSTRALIANS AND DICTION.

(Reuter's Service.)

Melbourne, August 23.

In response to a request from Mr. Havelock Wilson and the British shipowners, Mr. Bruce, the Prime Minister has telegraphed urging State Premiers to protect seamen desiring to carry out agreed contracts, opining that it is unthinkable to admit the principle that Australians are entitled to dictate the wages, and conditions of any British industry, and urging seamen to refuse to be the tools of extremists whose action it is hoped, Australian trade unionists will condemn.

Earlier Cables.

Both British shipowners and Mr. Havelock Wilson have cabled to Australia, denouncing the strike. The former have requested Mr. Bruce to take steps to prevent the use of illegal persuasion to break contracts. The unofficial strike in London during the past few days is spreading and yesterday affected the East India docks.

Melbourne, August 22. The crews of four overseas steamers have struck at Brisbane and of three others at Adelaide. Refrigerating machinery will be kept going.

CABINET TO MEET.

Melbourne, August 22. A meeting of 200 British seamen passed a resolution supporting the action of the crews of overseas vessels at Sydney and Adelaide in striking for the enforcement of July rates of pay to all British seamen in all waters. It also decided that a few of all British ships in port and sailing to ports should cease work, but should remain on the ships to carry out essential duties, including the handling of perishable cargo.

The Orient liner Orama has postponed her sailing from Sydney until August 24, but the City of Kimberley, with a British crew, sailed from Melbourne to South Africa, despite effort to prevent her.

Mr. Bruce is away for the week-end, but the Cabinet meet on Monday to consider the appeal of Mr. Havelock Wilson to restrain the Australian labour leader, Mr. Walsh, from influencing British seamen, and the appeal of British steamship owners urging Federal intervention.

THE WORD OF COMMUNISTS.

London, August 22. The official headquarters of the Seamen's and Firemen's Union today said they knew nothing of a strike in some London docks over a reduction of £1 a month of seamen's wages, which the Union officials had accepted and which had caused trouble among British seamen in Australia, but an official of the Tilbury branch of the Union admitted that a section of his members had struck, adding, "The pickets here are very strong and stopped all our people from signing."

The same official denied that the unofficial strike was the work of Communists. It is learned at Tilbury that several vessels affected have sailed and others have secured practically a full crew.

Mr. Havelock Wilson, who has gone to Canada, when interviewed said the new wages agreement had been accepted by 50,000 men without protest. The trouble in the East India Docks was engineered by Communists and the strikers were unemployable non-unionists.

## CHINESE CLAIMS.

BRITISH CONSUL-GENERAL'S ACTION.

(Reuter's Service.)

Hankow, August 23.

Wednesday's meeting of the Chinese and British authorities, regarding the settlement of a local incident, proving abortive, there was further discussion on Saturday, at which the Chinese handed in claims totalling \$750,000 compensation for those killed or wounded as the result of the incident on June 11.

During the discussion, the British Consul-General, Mr. H. Porter, becoming most dissatisfied with the attitude of the Chinese Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, left the room, and the proceedings abruptly terminated.

While ostensibly negotiating a friendly settlement of the Hankow incident, the Chinese authorities are alleged actually to have officially ordered the Chamber of Commerce to intensify the anti-British boycott measures, including intimidation, illegal taxation and a system of fines.

## TRAIN ACCIDENT.

ANOTHER FRENCH DISASTER.

(Reuter's Service.)

Dijon, August 24.

An express from Paris, collided with a stationary train in a siding. There are several casualties.

Naughty Young Actor: "Rehearsals are a terrible nuisance, but, thank Heaven, I know my words." Old Actor: "What, both of them?"

## EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, 24th August, 1925.

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## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

## LOST.

LOST.—An Aisntian Pup (bitch) from No. 18, Granville Road. Usual distinctive marks. Finder will be suitably rewarded.

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All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays, between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within the free storage period of one week. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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FRIDAY,

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Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 24th August, 1925.

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List of Debentures Drawn on 21st August, 1925.

1	113	229	335	441	534	620	728
7	123	233	338	447	586	629	736
13	124	238	343	449	545	633	742
14	138	244	346	452	546	641	746
17	142	252	349	458	548	645	749
35	150	255	351	459	550	653	754
37	154	256	355	460	551	659	759
43	164	262	357	463	553	661	768
47	167	263	358	467	557	679	769
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49	173	264	375	468	565	681	774
51	174	268	376	472	567	694	780
57	176	270	378	474	585	695	785
64	183	275	379	480	589	696	797
65	193	282	385	486	592	697	799
66	194	288	399	490	593	698	802
73	198	297	402	495	594	701	806
79	204	298	408	497	595	703	810
80	206	304	408	498	596	705	811
207	309	412	500	603	708	818	
83	215	315	424	507	604	710	821
86	216	319	426	511	606	711	824
91	217	320	427	515	609	713	825
95	218	324	429	517	612	717	828
99	223	327	433	524	613	723	838
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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The usual weekly Whist Drives, held in the Sergeants Mess, Murray Barracks, will re-commence on Tuesday next and will be run on every subsequent Tuesday, commencing at 8.45 p.m.

Though German emigration during 1924 decreased from the 1923 figure the total is still much larger than the pre-war period. Last year 58,087 Germans emigrated; 115,000 in 1923, while the yearly pre-war average was 25,000, according to the German Statistical Bureau.

The effect of unemployment and "the dole" was very strikingly illustrated recently by John Barns, the Deputy Director of Immigration and Settlement at Australia House. The occasion was a conference to urge the need of greater co-operative effort in Empire immigration. Mr. Barns said that when addressing meetings he was often asked, "Is there any unemployment pay in Australia?" With that idea abroad, it was not difficult to understand, he said, why emigration figures were low. He thought that the dole, the giving people something for nothing, took away their initiative. He was certainly right in saying that it was not to excessive shipping rate, for, with the assisted passages, it was never easier for people to emigrate than at present. The emigration to the Dominions, however, is lower even than before the war.

All music teachers in Prussia are henceforth to be licensed, according to the latest decree issued by the Government. The decree mentions that "a decisive change may now be expected in musical education." All private music teachers under a certain age, providing they have not graduated from some accredited musical institution, will be obliged to pass an examination. They will then be supplied with an official licence to teach music. Without such a licence no teacher is to be allowed to give instruction.

The bill to prevent the hunting of tame animals is now regarded as assured of becoming law in Britain. This long needed measure, which was introduced by Herbert Williams, got through the committee stage in the House of Commons. It extends the operation of the existing Protection of Animals Act to creatures "kept in captivity, or confinement and released to be hunted or coursed." The passage of the bill is the outcome of the revulsion of public feeling in London against such cases as that of the tame stag recently hunted on the Kentish coast, which took refuge in the sea, where it was rescued by French sailors and carried to France, where the representative of "The Christian Science Monitor" understands, it is still in sanctuary near Etaples.

On the banks of the Seine near the Solferino Bridge you may see every day a man who shaves and bathes pet dogs in the river. At one time French poodles were common, and this man made his living by trimming them with a long name and tassel at the tip of the tail to resemble a lion. But they have gone out of fashion, and now his principal business is no longer to cut the hair of dogs. But he still performs the toilette of the animals that are brought to him, under the eyes of an interested public looking down over the parapet. His charges are low and he has a large number of regular clients.

Several large foreign labour delegations have come to Russia recently to study labour conditions under the Soviet and to inquire into the political and economic position of the party. Eighty Germans are now in Leningrad, while nearly 300 Swedish trade union representatives, including 95 women, will arrive in Moscow tomorrow. A Franco-Belgian labour group also has visited Russia recently, touring all the big industrial centres. The entire Bolshevik press publishes articles of welcome in German, including greetings from Leon Trotsky, Mr. Lunacharsky, Commissar of Education, and Mme. Lening. The papers declare that the visit opens a new chapter in the relations between the Soviet and foreign labour organisations.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The following Hongkong residents have recently joined the Overseas League:-  
 Miss E. S. Woolley, F. E. Lane, Wm. G. Gerrard, James B. Struth, J. M. Norrie, A. S. Bxell, A. J. Bird.

Mr. Harry L. Kingman, for three years student secretary of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., of Shanghai, has been transferred to Tiensin. The staff of the Shanghai Y.M.C.A. gave Mr. and Mrs. Kingman a dinner at which the General Secretary, Mr. C. G. Hoh, presented them with a suitable souvenir of appreciation from their associates. Mr. Kingman has many friends that he has made particularly among college men in Shanghai and he will be greatly missed by many others who knew him.

The proposed Scottish visit of Miss Suzanne Lenglen and other famous players last month came under the ban of the Lawn Tennis Association on the ground that it would imperil the amateur status of the players to play at Glen-eagles and accept hospitality there. The purpose of the visit was, it is stated, to popularise the game in Scotland. The scheme was therefore abandoned. The circumstances being up to this denouement are that Sir Francis Towle and Mr. Arthur Towle arranged the visit at the request of a number of lovers of tennis in Scotland, and Suzanne and the other players were to be the guests of Mr. Arthur Towle and to play at Glen-eagles. Objection was taken by the L.T.A., among other matters, Mr. Towle states, to his entertaining his guests at his hotel, although in his own apartments. Mr. Arthur Towle sent a letter to them cancelling the arrangement. He explained that the ban of the L.T.A. had been made in the form of a threat as regards the amateur status of the players partaking of his hospitality.

A Melbourne message, of July 1, states:-Two American sailors were married to Australian girls to-day and officers estimated that there probably would be fifty such marriages before the fleet departs.

What was perhaps a unique event in school history in Malaya took place in the form of a demonstration to show the capability of the Victoria Institution grounds to provide recreation for the students. An official inspection was made by the chairman of trustees (Mr. W. E. Pypys, Secretary to Resident), who expressed great pleasure at all that he saw, highly complimenting the boys on their keenness and the staff on the efficiency of the whole undertaking. Mr. R. J. Sidney, recently in Hongkong, is head of this thriving institution.

How little is known of the green fields by some town children was told by the well-known cricketer, A. R. Gilligan, captain of the English cricket team touring Australia recently. Having taken a party of boys for a day in the country, he suggested a game of cricket, but a small boy said it was impossible, because there were no lamp posts. It is hoped to raise sufficient funds in England to buy vacant land in the vicinity of big towns which otherwise would surely eventually be built over.

The movement to provide more playing fields for the Nation's boys and girls was successfully launched at a big meeting in the Albert Hall under the presidency of the Duke of York. How great is the need in London is shown by the County Council figures of the applications received during one winter for 978 football pitches, of which only 205 could be provided. The speakers included the Duke of Sutherland, J. Ramsay MacDonald the Duchess of Athole, Lady Astor and several leading exponents of the various games. Letters have been received from the Playground and Recreation Association of America, wishing success.

The Rev. E. A. Causton, M.A., vicar of Dunfield, Derbyshire, since 1919, has accepted the living of Fairlight, near Hastings. He is said to be the tallest clergyman in England, standing 6 feet 6 inches in height.

Max Beerbohm was discussing with a friend the merits of a popular contemporary writer. "I consider—his work to be pure gold," remarked the friend. "Yes, indeed," assented Max, "pure gold—beaten very thin!"

The Rev. D. C. Bates who is now New Zealand's meteorologist, tells of a friend who asked his daughter for a forecast. When she could not help him, he protested: "But doesn't your father tell you?" "Oh!" she retorted indignantly, "we don't depend on father's forecasts—we go by mother's corns!"

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As an indication of how merchants of Dayton, capitalized the trial of John Thomas Scopes, school teacher indicted for violating the State's anti-evolution law, witness the above photograph. The young Dayton ladies are wearing Dayton pennants with monkeys printed on them.



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 Below: SEN DUNCAN U. FLETCHER & BURTON K. WHEELER

Andrew Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, plans to retire from the Cabinet, according to a Washington rumour. Former Premier, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald planned a new offensive against the present British administration, based on the unemployment situation. Abolition of the War Finance Corporation was urged by Senator Fletcher to cut taxes. Senator Wheeler announced a new attempt to indict him was to be made.



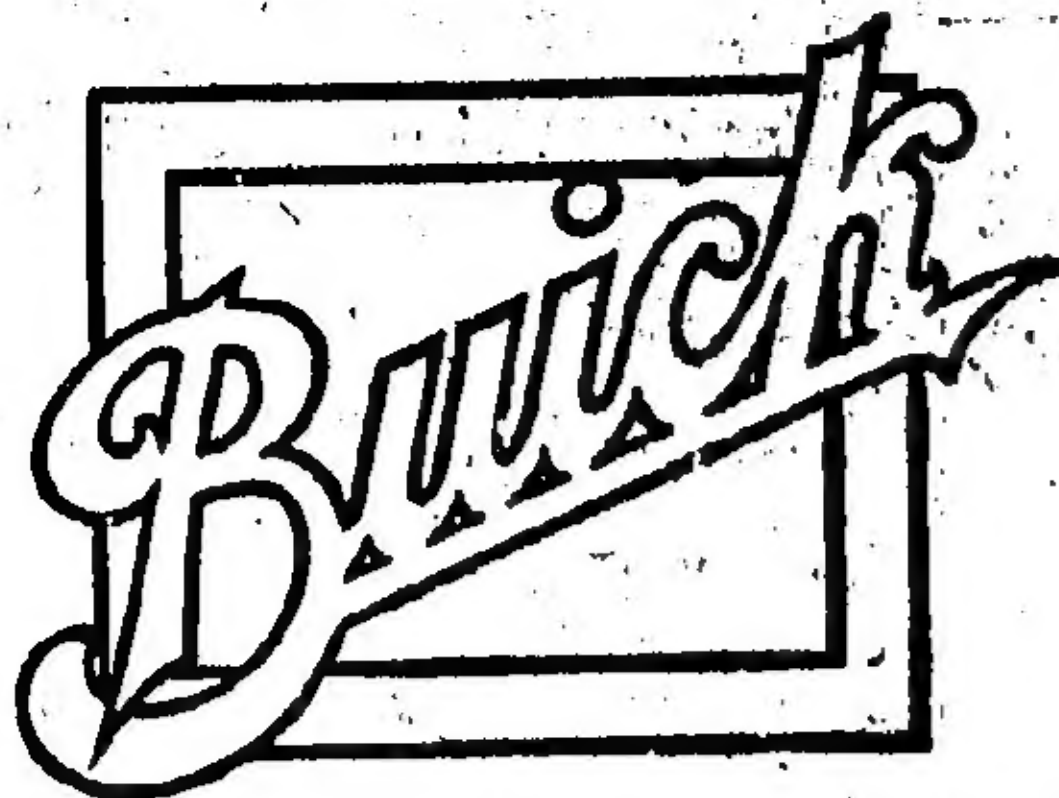
**VITO MURDER INQUIRY**

Here are the central figures in the police inquiry into the brutal killing of Johnny Vito, boxer. Vito was shot dead in the street. The girls, Tina Di Flori and Katherine Richard, together with Michael Richard (lower left), heard the shot and found the body. P. C. Shady (lower right) is conducting the inquiry. Vito is shown in fighting pose.

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## American Taxes.

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## A Dislike of Mechanisms.

I have, it is true, a dislike of mechanisms. To speak over the telephone is an ordeal for which I have to brace myself almost by fasting and prayer. I cannot explain the inhibition. The explanations which I give to myself leave me quite unconvinced. It is not enough to put it down to the utter incapability of understanding a mechanism with which I am afflicted. That is strange enough. I have a very small motor-car which I have learned to drive. Sometimes, quite often, it stops when it is not required to stop. That recurrent catastrophe seems to me always like an act of God. Of my own self I can do nothing against it. I know that any other man would give a turn with the spanner here and a touch with the screwdriver there, and the trouble would be over. That I should be able to apply such a remedy is inconceivable. Other men may do these things, but not I. I have but two solutions: the first is to walk resolutely away from the car as though it did not belong to me. After the space of about an hour, I return to it, jump in with a show of confidence, pull up a handle with a sort of airy insouciance, and three times out of four, it really does start again. It sounds incredible, but it really is so. No doubt there are sound mechanical reasons for this apparent miracle. To me it is just a miracle, for I am, in regard to my motor-car, in the mental condition of the savage. I have duffed the demon of machinery; I have deceived him into thinking it was not me. Had he had time to realise that it was only me, after all, he would never have begun work again. Sometimes I do not act my part confidently enough; he sees through my deception. Then there is nothing to do but to turn to my second solution, which is to wait for the other man. He is the mechanic; I am the savage.—The Journeyman in the "Adelphi."

## Our Smallest Railway.

Eaton Hall, which has been slightly damaged by fire, is served by the smallest working railway in Great Britain (says the "Star"). Goods and material needed for the establishment at the hall used to be carted from Chester until the late Duke of Westminster's agent, the Hon. C. Parker, suggested the construction of a light railway which would connect Eaton Hall with Balderton, on the Great Western. This toy railway runs across many of the park drives and over several small streams, and sometimes hauls 300 tons a month. There are two miniature locomotives, the larger of which weighs 4 tons 12 cwt., 44 goods waggons, two brake vans, a passenger car, a parcel van, and a tool van. The passenger car runs on two four-wheeled bogies, is 20 feet long, and has seating accommodation for 18.

## The Wakes.

Why are the holidays called Wakes in some parts of the country? To find an answer one must travel back into the dim past when, at the annual festival held in commemoration of the dedication of the parish church, the parishioners came at night to keep vigil "with candles brennyng." Prayers were said and hymns were sung during the night. In that sense the word wake meant to watch, or wait, says a writer in the "Bolton Journal and Guardian." But ere long the religious aspect of the festival was obscured by the social side. It became the custom for the people assembled to indulge in "dances, harping, piping, and also to glutty and sinne, and so they turned the holiness to curdy-ness," writes an ancient chronicler. The result was that the vigils were discontinued but the festival days after the succeeding years were devoted to a parish gathering in the rural pastures and sports attended by eating and drinking, often to excess. Coming to Lancashire, we find a writer on folk speech telling us that the wakes were the annual fairs held in the towns and villages, and at such times a state of festivity approaching in some degree the carnival of the continental towns prevailed, all the workshops and mills closing, and those who could afford went to resorts and places of amusement, while those who remained behind frequented the fairs and the theatres. Feasting still played a big part in the rejoicings, and "Wake beef" was an important dish. To have a noble piece of beef for the occasion was a source of pride "for which a man would save first and pinch afterwards."

## "Colour Memory."

Is there such a thing as colour memory? asks an "Evening Standard" writer. In other words, if we shut our eyes, can we visualise colour? These questions and many others of an even more startling kind are asked by Mr. Sidney Cameron in a very interesting book entitled "More Light" which he has just published. Mr. Cameron holds that the brain is not the "organ of thinking," but that, if I may so put it, our brains are distributed over our five senses. The idea has been tentatively suggested before, but has not been elaborated by any other worker as Mr. Cameron elaborates it. Personally I am inclined to think that it is not possible, in the dark, or with closed eyes, to visualise any colour. Colour memory is notoriously weak, as every woman discovers who attempts to match fabrics from her recollection of their hues. On the other hand, if our eyes are open we can easily visualise a colour because, in any room or open space, it is bound to be "before our eyes." The power to recall sounds in silent places is equally, it appears, open to doubt.

## The Hair—Psychically.

From South Africa there reaches us a letter calling attention to the significance of the hair as an index to psychic qualities (Light tells us). The writer is a gentleman whose profession as a tonsorial expert gives him the right to speak with some authority. Referring to the properties possessed by human hair he points out that it is practically immune to decay—a fact fairly well-known. It grows after death, and seems to be quite independent of the ordinary subconscious faculties governing the rest of the body, such as digestion, the repair of damaged tissue, etc. When heated it emits a gas and a strong odour. In short, our correspondent's experiments lead him to the belief that all hair, fur, and feathers possess some hitherto unsuspected etheric properties, and that, if made the subject of experiment in psychical research, some interesting facts might be brought to light. He believes that investigation of the hair of mediums would reveal some minute difference as compared with the hair of ordinary persons. He has certainly, he says, found in the hair true indications of temperament. Some of our psychic researchers may like to turn their attention to the matter.



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